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Noon Conferences will RESTART in SEPTEMBER ...
Look for details in next month's NEWSLETTER

URMC ACTIVITIES / EVENTS

- **Thursday, August 17 - Bioethics Reading Group.** David Baronov, chair of the St. John Fisher College Department of Sociology, will discuss his paper "The Western Origins of Biomedicine: The Intersections of Scientific Reason, Cultural Meaning and Social Power, 1870-1945." He will be presenting the paper later in the month at the 20th European Conference on Philosophy of Medicine and Healthcare in Helsinki, Finland. 5:30 pm. Old Hawkins Rm., 1-7438, URMC. Pizza and soda pop will be provided. For further details and/or a copy of the paper, please contact Tim Madigan at 415-5925 or tmadigan@rochester.rr.com

ANNOUNCEMENTS and UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

- **September 11 – Healthcare Ethics - Dealing with the Unexpected Healthcare Rationing, Assisted Suicide, and Continuation of Treatment in Chronic Disease** presented by **Emily Friedman**, Independent Health Policy and Ethics Analyst. This 2006 Western New York Conference is sponsored by Medina Memorial Health Care System. Holiday Inn, Batavia, NY. For more information: phone (716) 828-2065 or email: jc1780@chsbuffalo.org
- **September 26 - 29 - 16th International Congress on Care of the Terminally Ill.** Sponsored by the Palliative Care Program of McGill University in Montreal, Canada. Featured will be in-depth symposia on Pediatric Palliative Care, Healing and Whole-Person Care, Non-Cancer End-of-Life Care, Self-Esteem, Respiratory Palliative Care, and Volunteerism. Join the health care professionals, therapists, volunteers and all those involved in care for the dying who come to renew themselves as providers of care and to obtain the inspiration that will help them shape palliative care of the future. To receive a detailed program and/or to register, please visit www.pal2006.com or call 514-481-7408, ext. 227.
- **September 30 - Improving Communication and Decision-Making for Seriously Ill Patients: Guidelines for Attorneys, Physicians and Health Care Professionals.** Rochester Academy of Medicine, 1441 East Avenue, 8:30 am – 1 pm. Attorneys, physicians and other health care professionals involved in geriatrics, long-term care, advance care planning, and health law are invited to attend. Sponsored by Excellus in collaboration with the Monroe County Legal Assistance Center, Monroe County Bar Association, Monroe County Medical Society, Onondaga Bar Association, and the Onondaga County Medical Society. For further information and/or to register, contact Stephany Lockamyeir at 877-718-6709 or stephany.lockamyeir@excellus.com

- **October 13-15** – **AACH Research and Teaching Forum. Putting Relationships First: Fostering Professional Growth.** This conference is geared toward researchers, medical educators, clinicians and others interested in healthcare communication and is jointly sponsored by the American Academy on Communication in Healthcare (formerly known as AAPP) and the Emory University School of Medicine. Atlanta, GA. The Forum will offer multiple learning formats, including two plenary panel discussions; presentations of research abstracts with facilitated group discussion; interactive workshops; a poster session; interest groups and opportunities to both network with colleagues and find mentors in the field. To register or view course information, go to www.aachonline.org
- **October 20-22** - **Practical Aspects of Palliative Medicine: Integrating Palliative Care into Clinical Practice.** Sponsored by the Harvard Medical School Center for Palliative Care. This 3-day course is designed to offer physicians and other clinicians the core information and skills they need to provide palliative care in their practice settings. Sheraton Boston Hotel, Boston, MA. To register or view course information online, visit <http://cme.med.harvard.edu/index.asp?SECTION=CLASSES&ID=00261740>

MEMBERS' CORNER

The Members' Corner is designed to share information with our readers on **grants, published articles, awards, interesting articles/websites, etc.** Please send your news to maria_milella@urmc.rochester.edu by the 20th of each month.

This *Newsletter* reflects the growing collaboration amongst the following University of Rochester Programs:

- Program for Biopsychosocial Studies
- Division of Medical Humanities
- Division of Family Programs
- Cross-cultural Education Committee
- Committee on Women in Science, Dentistry and Medicine
- Primary Care Center
- Community Initiative to Improving Nursing Home and Dementia Care
- Center for Ethics, Humanities and Palliative Care